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## NEWS

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### WEST LAFAYETTE PLANTS 254 TREES

West Lafayette, Ind. – July 16, 2008 – The City of West Lafayette has just completed a tree-planting campaign that brought 254 new street trees to several neighborhoods, thanks in part to a \$9,220 grant from the Alcoa Foundation through the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, reports Beverly Shaw, city greenspace administrator.

Funds to purchase the trees also came from the City of West Lafayette, West Lafayette Parks and Recreation, and the West Lafayette Tree Fund.

“The 1.5-foot trees have been planted along Sagamore West, at the Harrison Bridge interchange, and on Kalberer, Salisbury, Evergreen, Lincoln and State streets,” Shaw said.

Amber Leigh Village got the largest number of trees—157. “West Lafayette resident Vinod Sagi contacted his neighbors and got more than 70 percent to participate,” Shaw said. “He’s the Johnny Appleseed of Amberleigh Village.” For his volunteer efforts, Sagi received a Beautification Award from the City of West Lafayette

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